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SUBJECT: TUNGSTEN AND THE APRIL 4 MEETING OF THE -
TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD (TDB)

REF: STATE 79031; GENEVA 4844

1. BASIC INSTRUCTION FOR MEETING ARE CONTAINED IN
STATE 79031.

2. WE ARE INFORMING AUSTRALIANS IN WASHINGTON AND
CANBERRA OF US POSITION (SEE SEPTTEL).
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3. YOU SHOULD CONTINUE TO SEEK A UNIFIED CONSUMER
POSITION IN GENEVA AND INFORM AMBASSADOR DE ALWIS AS
APPROPRIATE. WE DO NOT INTEND TO MAKE FURTHER INTER-
VENTIONS IN CONSUMER CAPITALS.

4. IF A CONSENSUS DEVELOPS TO HAVE TUNGSTEN ISSUES SENT

BACK TO THE COMMITTEE ON TUNGSTEN, YOU SHOULD SUPPORT IT AS INDICATED REFTEL A. IN THAT EVENT YOU SHOULD MAKE STATEMENT OF RESERVATION, WITH SUPPORT OF OTHER CONSUMERS IF POSSIBLE, ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

A. WE ARE PREPARED TO CONTINUE TO STUDY TUNGSTEN ISSUES

AND POSSIBLE STABILIZATION MEASURES IN THE COMMITTEE ON TUNGSTEN.

B. THE CURRENT PRODUCER PROPOSAL, HOWEVER, ALREADY HAS BEEN EXTENSIVELY EXAMINED IN THE COMMITTEE ON TUNGSTEN AND BY THE EXPERTS GROUP. WE HAVE CONCLUDED THAT IT IS NOT A FEASIBLE OR DESIRABLE PROPOSAL. THEREFORE, WE WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN FURTHER REVIEW OF THE PROPOSAL IN THE COT.

C. WE ALSO HAVE FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEMS WITH THE CANADIAN PROPOSAL BECAUSE OF ITS OPEN-ENDED NATURE AND THE POSSIBLE INCLUSION OF BINDING ECONOMIC PROVISIONS AT A LATER DATE.

D. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT THE CONSUMER PROPOSAL FOR A PCF HAS GREAT MERIT. WE HOPE PRODUCERS WILL GIVE IT FURTHER REVIEW AND FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION IN THE - COMMITTEE ON TUNGSTEN. CHRISTOPHER
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